

COMMENTS

Drawings

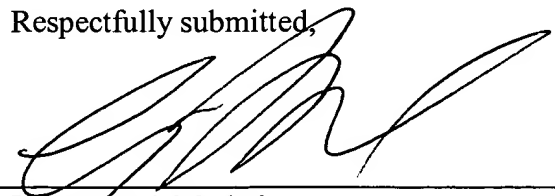
The following changes were made to the drawings: Extraneous lines that were included around the periphery on the informal drawings were deleted in Figs. 1, 3-6, and 11-15. In Fig. 8, the missing reference numeral 390 was added to conform to the specification (see, e.g., page 13, lines 2-4). In Fig. 9, the reference numeral 41 was changed to 412 to conform to the specification (see, e.g., page 13, line 21). In Figs. 14-15, the black ovals at the top and the bottom of the flowchart have been replaced by unfilled ovals. Additionally, in Fig. 14, the text in block 570 was changed to conform to the specification (e.g. see Fig. 10).

In Fig. 5, Applicant noticed that two reference numerals were repeated in the informal drawings and corresponding description (namely, reference numerals 264 and 266). Fig. 5 has been renumbered to eliminate the duplicate reference numerals. Applicant has amended the specification accordingly (see amendments to the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 13 presented above).

Specification Amendments

Applicant has amended the specification to be consistent with the reference numerals in Fig. 5, as mentioned above. Additionally, Applicant has amended the specification to correct certain typographical errors, as illustrated in the specification amendment section above. Finally, Applicant has amended the cross reference to the related applications to correct a serial number. Applicant believes that these amendments do not constitute new matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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